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Administrators To Speak At JEA

Dr. Maurice Schankerman and Julius Bremen will speak at the Jewish Education Association Auxiliary meeting at 8 p.m. Monday, March 16 in the Domont Auditorium of the JEA. The two men, who are acting administrators of the JEA, will give their observations since assuming their positions in January.

As professional educators, especially interested in the progress of Jewish children in

the community school, they will present their opinions, on planning a school curriculum, to parents of children now enrolled. Their views will also be of interest to parents planning to enter their children at the JEA.

A question period will follow. Mrs. Kalman Greenspan is program chairman. Mrs. Alex Lande, hospitality chairman, and her committee will serve refreshments.

Jewish Youngsters Plan 'Westward Ho' Bus Tour

"Westward Ho," a chartered Greyhound bus caravan to the West Coast, with exciting stops along the way, has been scheduled for June 17-28 by the Jewish Community Center for youngsters in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades.

Center members have had the first opportunity to sign up for their children, after which other young people are to be welcomed including those from around the state, such as Kokomo, South Bend and Fort Wayne.

According to Jerry Melman, Program Director of the JCCA,

35 young people can be accepted, and so far, half that number have already signed up to go. Professional supervision will be provided by him and three other members of the JCCA staff.

The estimated cost is \$225 per child, including food, transportation and entry fees.

Special stops along the way will include the Texas Panhandle and the Great Plains frontier, the Painted Desert and the Petrified Forest, the Navajo Reservation, Disneyland, Grand Canyon National Park and Santa Fe National Park.

Kiddie Kapers Show Set For Underprivileged

More than 900 underprivileged children will be entertained at the annual Kiddie Kapers show sponsored by the women of B'nai B'rith on Saturday, March 21 at the Indiana Central College.

Business men have contributed the funds to support the project and retailers have donated candy, gum and pretzels. TV personality Harlow Hickenlooper and Co. will entertain. Children attending are from the depressed area of the city.

Those on the committee are:

Mesdames James Ward, Charles Scheffler, Sam Engel, Jules Chatoff, Allen Hazen, Laurence Seidman, Howard Zuckerman, Noel Becker, Milton Mark, Larry Calish, Norman Berg, Richard Thompson, Jack Fogle, Alvin Jacobs, Robert Garlick, Morris Nahmais, Stephen Polsky, Jack Goldman, Ronald Popp, Douglas Popp, Alan Blattner, Ronald Kaseff, Lawrence Gordon, Seymour Ziker, Melvin Lichtenberg, Lawrence Greenwald, Miss Bonnie Ziker, and Miss Sharon Davis.

Ettinger Attends Session In Israel

Shoolem Ettinger has recently returned from a ten-day stay in Israel where he participated in the sessions of the Actions Committee of the Jewish Agency, as a representative of the Z.O.A.

According to Ettinger, 127 members from nearly every free country took part in the deliberations presided over by Aryea L. Pincus, chairman of the Agency.

The group was briefed by Gideon Raphael who has just

represented Israel at the United Nations. With the political aspect of great concern today, Ettinger worked on that phase of the deliberations, acting as co-chairman of the Policy and Resolutions committee of the Political Division. One decision made was the inclusion of non-Zionists in the enlarged Jewish Agency.

Ettinger considered the Conference a highlight in his years as a Zionist.

Hooverwood, New Aged Home, To Be Dedicated March 22

Hooverwood, the Jewish community's new home for the aged, will be dedicated Sunday, March 22, according to an announcement this week by Walter Wolf Jr., president of the facility nearing completion on the far northside.

The dedication will be coupled with an open house. Residents of the Borinstein Home on Central Ave. are scheduled to move into Hooverwood on or about March 25.

THE 155-BED HOME just north of the Jewish Educational Association is part of the complex of communal agencies under Jewish Welfare Federation auspices and is the culmination of years of study, planning and construction. Its ultra-modern facilities will be

second to none in the city, officials explained.

City and civic officials will join the Jewish community in the dedication ceremonies. A detailed schedule of events will be announced shortly.

Ground for the new Home was broken March 17, 1968. Cost of the new facility has been estimated at between \$2.7 and \$2.8 million.

HOOVERWOOD IS a 2-story, air-conditioned building that will be able to accommodate three times as many residents and patients as the Borinstein Home, which is up for sale.

The new Home has 90,000 square feet and the building alone cost \$2,306,500. Equipment and furnishings cost \$325,000. It is located on land owned by the Federation.

A fund-raising campaign directed by William L. Schloss brought in nearly \$1 million. Expected sale of the Central Ave. properties and a Mill-Burton Federal grant realized nearly another \$1 million.

The Home is also a United Fund-supported agency.

M. Bill Newman, administrator of the Borinstein Home, moved his office to Hooverwood some time ago to direct completion of the new building.

Wolf told a recent meeting of the JWF board of directors that Hooverwood is better than 90 per cent completed.

MEANWHILE, various committees in charge of opening the new facility are planning a medically supervised transition of the residents from the old Home to the new building.

"Opening of the new Home will be one of the most exciting events in our Jewish community in years," said JWF President Liebert Mossler. We can all take much pride in Hooverwood."

Town Crier

By G. M. COHEN

We are sure that the Jewish Federation has its hands full with what it considers its one most important task — the annual Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, which incidentally is doing quite well this year — but it was months ago that the suggestion was made and received almost unanimous acceptance for a study of the Jewish education system in Indianapolis.

The fact that Max Furer relinquished his post as superintendent of the Jewish Education Association presented the community with a unique opportunity for a reappraisal of its educational needs.

When a month ago, there was no action by The Federation, we contacted Frank Newman with the specific suggestion that the Federation appoint a city-wide committee to look into the

situation even though, disappointingly to us, we learned that the JEA has been interviewing candidates right along.

This means that the leadership of the Jewish community dismissed our suggestion, even though one of those most enthusiastic about it was Frank Newman himself.

As of this week, no such committee has been appointed. The excuse is that the executive committee of the Federation has not held a meeting.

Isn't there someone on the board of the Federation who will undertake to pursue this matter? It is late — but not too late, if anyone is really and truly interested in doing something in an area that could be even more important, than the Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, in the long run.

Gary Congregation To Honor Rabbi



RABBI IRVING MILLER

Members of Temple Beth El, Gary, are honoring Rabbi Irving Miller with a Testimonial Dinner Sunday, March 15, in the synagogue auditorium. The Congregation is presenting its spiritual leader with life tenure.

Rabbi Miller has been associated with the Congregation for 22 years. He is a graduate of the Hebrew Theological College in Skokie.

The guest speaker for the occasion will be Rabbi Uri Miller of Baltimore, Md. Rabbi Miller is a former president of the Rabbinical Council of America and the Synagogue Council of America.

Mrs. Cook Second In Family To Win Brotherhood Award

When Amy Cook was presented with the 1970 Brotherhood Award by the National Conference of Christians and Jews last week it was not the first time a member of her family had been so honored. In 1965 her late husband, David, was cited by the organization for his humanitarian efforts in the community.

Mrs. Cook was one of the three recipients chosen for their "unselfish contributions to create a spirit of brotherhood and understanding." Mother of four

children, she has long been concerned with the needs of young people. She was the first president of the Indianapolis Pre-School Centers and is currently chairman of Urban Services of the Indianapolis PTA Council.

She is Social Action Chairman of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and on the board of the Jewish Welfare Federation and the Jewish Community Relations Council.

A native of Detroit, she is a graduate of Indiana University.

Community Calendar Groups Plan Purim Celebrations

1970
MARCH

14 Sat.		USY Cultural
15 Sun.		B'nai Torah Purim Carnival
		City of Hope Dinner Mtg.
		USY Purim Carnival
17 Tues.	1 P.M.	Broadmoor Ladies Day
		Golden Age JCCA
18 Weds.	9:30 A.M.	Wom. Ser. Leag. JCCA
	12:30	Hen. Szold Reg. Mtg.
	8 P.M.	B & P Had. Reg. Mtg.
		Ort Reg. Mtg.
19 Thurs.	9:30 A.M.	Had. & JEA Study Group
22 Sun.	5:30 P.M.	B'nai Torah Purim Dinner
24 Tues.	1 P.M.	B. B. Women #324 Reg. Mtg.
	8 P.M.	B. B. Women #924 Reg. Mtg.
25 Wed.	8 P.M.	B. B. Men G. Choban Reg. Mtg.
26 Thurs.		CJW Leg. & Pub. Affairs
27 Fri.		USY Reg. Conv. Detroit
		Entire Weekend
30 Mon.	8 P.M.	Borinstein Home Reg. Mtg.
31 Tues.	8 P.M.	IHC Brotherhood

APRIL

1 Wed.	12:30	UOHC Women
	8 P.M.	JCRC MidEast Seminar JEA
		Symphony Seminar JCCA
2 Thurs.	Noon	CARIH Reg. Mtg.
4 Sat.	7:30 P.M.	Beth El Men's Club Dinner
		for Regional Convention

B'NAI TORAH

A Purim dinner and musical is set for Sunday, March 22 at 6 p.m. in the auditorium of the B'nai Torah, 6510 Hoover Road. The roast beef dinner for a Purim Seudoh will be under the chairmanship of Mrs. Mendel Greenberg, and her committee, Mrs. Ronald Gurvitz, Mrs. Hy Bearman, and Mrs. Sol Megeff.

Cantor Yitzchak Jade will give a musical presentation with audience participation. Rabbi Nandor Fruchter will give the blessings and Mrs. James Gerstle, president of the Sisterhood, will welcome members and guests.

B'nai Torah invites the community to participate. For reservations call the shule office at 253-5253. The price is \$3.50

per person and \$1.50 for children under 12.

UNITED ORTHODOX

Last minute plans are being made for the congregational Purim dinner to be held at the United Orthodox Hebrew Congregation at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 15. The Ladies Auxiliary, with Mrs. Sidney Freedman as chairman, is in charge of arrangements. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Goldsmith, 925-4895.

PURIM PLAY

An original Purim play, written and produced by Mrs. Elmer Friman, will be featured in the Purim program of the

Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, 65th and Meridian, at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 22.

Entitled "Mystery of the Dead Sea Scrolls or Purim Revisited," the play's cast includes Sarah Delman, Richard Kasle, Dean Sablosky, Paul and Richard Friman, Robert Foster, Marilyn Wolf, Shari Ruben, Jeff Skora, Adele Cohen and Sharon Brodsky.

IHC Sisterhood, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ben Fisher and Mrs. Sheldon Landau, will serve Hamantaschan.

I. U. HILLEL

Hillel Foundation at Indiana University, Bloomington, is planning a Purim Party at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 21 in the State Room East, IMU.

Also on the calendar is the first annual R. Tannen Memorial Lecture to be given by Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum on "The Religious Significance of the Middle East Conflict." This will be held in the Fine Arts Auditorium at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 15.

NCJW Launches Kosher Noon Meal Project

Delivering a kosher noon meal each day to homebound people, unable to prepare their own food, is a new project of the Indianapolis Section of the National Council of Jewish Women.

The organization has been working together with the Borinstein Home for the Aged

and Jewish Family and Children's Services with meals being prepared at the home.

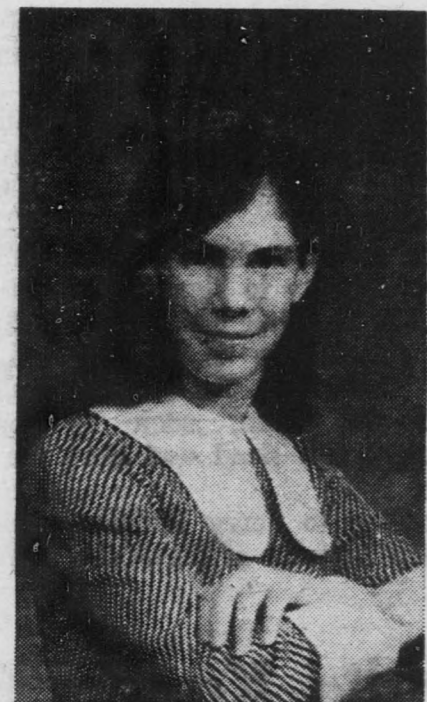
Information concerning this project and its availability to Indianapolis residents may be obtained from the chairman, Mrs. Morris Jacobs or her co-chairman, Mrs. Myron Wolf.

Hadassah Unit To Hear Book Review March 19

Mrs. Leonard Berkowitz will review "The Promise" by Chaim Potok at the dessert luncheon meeting of the Henrietta Szold group of Hadassah at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19 at the Holiday Park Community House, 6349 Spring Mill Road.

New Life members will be honored by Mrs. Fred Frisch, chairman. Mrs. Charles Reddish will introduce the new transfers from the Ha' Ima Hadassah group. Mrs. Henry Marks and Mrs. Albert Reuben will give the opening and closing prayers.

Miss Karen Kraft To Be Bat Mitzvah



KAREN

Karen Ellen Kraft, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kraft, 541 Golf Lane, will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah at Beth El Zedeck Temple Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21.

Grandparents are Philip Kraft and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tamler.

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Silvershots Die In Air Tragedy

Mr. and Mrs. Simone Silvershots, of Chula Vista, Calif., who died in the Zurich air tragedy, (P-O, Mch. 6) were eulogized at services at the Jewish Community Center which they helped to build. Silvershots, a Tijuana department store owner, was president of the Tijuana Jewish community. The popular couple are shown in a recent photograph. According to Heritage, Southwest chain of Jewish weeklies, more than 500 friends, relatives and Mexican government officials attended the services which were conducted by Rabbi Monroe Levens and Rabbi Sheldon Stauber.

2 More Zurich Deaths Are Prominent Americans

As the bodies of 20 Jewish passengers were buried in Jerusalem in a mass funeral attended by Prime Minister Golda Meir and other top Israeli officials, it became known that a prominent Montreal Jewish couple were among the American victims (P-O, Mch. 6). They were Eleizer Kolatacz, 39, president of Prestige Knitting Mills and Mrs. Kolatacz, 37. Their seven-year-old son, David, died of leukemia six months ago, and they were on a three-week holiday to Israel to forget the tragedy.

RABBI SHLOMO GOREN, who conducted the service, explained later that the coffins contained only fragments of bodies and blood-soaked soil. The army chief chaplain had flown to Zurich to try to determine which of the victims were Jews, but explained that only a few of the bodies could be definitely identified.

In an effort to prevent action by world airlines, the executive council of the Arab transport union threatened not to permit airlines of a country participating in any measures against Arab airlines to cross Arab airspace or be serviced in any Arab country. Such a prohibition could form a formidable problem for international air traffic whose flights link Europe and Africa and

Europe and Asia cross Arab lands.

THE UNION HAS forwarded its decision to international air bodies, which they accused in a statement in Cairo of being under "Zionist influence."

Women To Launch Modesty Campaign

CINCINNATI (P-O) — Jewish women's organizations active on the current Jewish scene were asked to initiate a strong "concentrated drive to reinforce the importance of modesty and decency as basic pillars . . . of (Jewish) life" in a resolution passed by the women's branch of the Lubavitch Movement.

AFTER HEARING a plea by Rabbi Zalman Posner, of Nashville, Tenn., the delegates voted to launch a campaign to reverse the fashion trend through various media, such as newspapers, radio, posters and petitions.

Rabbi Posner pointed out that "American Jews should not follow the crowd, should not be part of the life style that is prevalent today with its rejection of morality, with its aimlessness and lack of guiding

Agnostic Jew Wins In Austria

VIENNA — Dr. Bruno Kresiky, Chancellor elect, is Jewish, but claims agnosticism in religious matters.

The son of a Viennese Jewish industrialist, he was arrested by the Gestapo after Hitler annexed Austria in 1938, and eventually left for neutral Sweden.

Anti-Semitism played a role in the election, but not one significant enough to alter the final voting, which gave Kresiky's Socialist Party 81 of the 165 seats in Parliament. Newspapers reported receiving many anti-Semitic letters and calls. A poster of the opposition People's party showed Dr. Josef Klaus, outgoing Chancellor, who is its chairman, with the legend: "A genuine Austrian."

ONE-DAY FESTIVALS GET STIFF SETBACK

By JEAN R. HERSCHAFT

NEW YORK (P-O) — The proposal by the Conservative rabbinate for dropping the second day of the Festivals got another setback when Dr. Bernard Mandelbaum aligned himself with the opposition.

The executive head of the Jewish Theological Seminary issued a 13-page brief which is being circulated to members of the Rabbinical Assembly, whose Committee on Law and Standards released a report advocating single-day observance of the Festivals.

EVER SINCE the report was made at last year's convention



DR. B. MANDELBAUM

. . . two-day Sabbath

Forgiveness Of God Asked For Chief Rabbi

LONDON — An angry exchange in which forgiveness of God was invoked for Chief Rabbi Immanuel Jakobovits sparked the BBG radio program, "The World This Week-end."

"I would say to you, Dr. Jakobovits that the God, you worship, may he forgive you, for I in my angry concern for children, cannot."

THE SPEAKER was Leo Abse, Member of Parliament, who is Jewish.

Abse accused Rabbi Jakobovits of seeking at all costs of making Israel a theocratic state. "You are attempting to use the coercive

power of your wealthy congregants to impose a primitive biology upon Israel which will divide the people of Israel, the Jews of the diaspora, and seek to divide families, fathers from their own sons."

Abse went into particulars and even personalities when he said that "the law you are seeking to impose . . . would make the Arab leader of El Fatah, born of a Jewish mother, a Jew. It would deny the designation to the children of Lt.-Cmdr. Shalit, because he married a Scotswoman, and mine, since I have been privileged to marry a Welshwoman. They are bastards in your eyes."

RABBI JAKOBOVITS, much more restrained gave as good as he took, however.

The Chief Rabbi said that he believed the Jewish State was the product of millennia of hope, vision and promise that went back to the origins of the Jewish people.

"I believe that our very claim to the land can be based only on our building this on the continuity of Jewish existence. I have a right to want to see our people see its exemplification in a national sense by restoring Jewish Statehood — and I emphasize Jewish — to the land of our fathers."

WHERE ABSE argued that Dr. Jakobovits's position was in fact not based on religion but on racialism, the rabbi responded that a racist was not someone who believed he belonged to a race, but someone who believed that one race could oppress another. "And since I don't believe this, I am not a racist."

Dr. Jakobovits concluded: "Of course you are at liberty to repudiate Judaism, to repudiate the Biblical heritage. But I am equally at liberty to try to uphold it."

of the RA, it has met with opposition. The JTS students have also opposed its recommendations.

Dr. Mandelbaum asserted that the proposal "does violence to our responsibility to the present reality of Jewish life and Jewish people." He said "it would eliminate any sense of our deepest commitment to the special quality of Jewish existence in the Holy Land and in the role that Yom 'tov Sneni must continue to play in the lives of even those of us who will always practice it in the breach."

He listed the confusion of observance that would be introduced into any diaspora community adopting it as one of the strong arguments against it.

"What happens with matters of liturgy such as the observance or yizkor and the Torah reading?" he queried.

THE INCREASE OF uncertainty would undermine Jewishness at a time when it needs strengthening, he said. He termed it a "moral issue" and linked it squarely to a "matter of community responsibility, to retain all of Jewish observance and even indicated that Conservative Judaism may "ultimately be faced with the need of having a two-day Sabbath and a three-day festival."

"The new need," he continued, "is to introduce two or three days of purposeful living during the course of every week, if we want to avoid reducing life to the wild quest for cheap thrills which is characteristic of the stereotype of a Hollywood."

Jews should be grateful, he contended, for the fact that in addition to the Sabbath there are at least 13 days in the Jewish calendar which have a structure and content that elevate and bring him closer to God, his family and his fellow man.

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Rabbis Not Permitted To Change Members' Lives

By SAMUEL ABRAHAMS

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (P-O) — Peace Corps and Freedom Congregants expect their rabbis to deliver all manner of things except to change the pattern of their inane lives, Rabbi Herbert Tarr told the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El here.

The author of the best selling novels, "The Conversion of Chaplain Cohen," and "Heaven Help Us," explained that doctors, lawyers and other professionals are abandoned if their clients do not care for them, but only a rabbi or clergyman is compelled to quit or retire after irking the shallow sensitivities of his members.

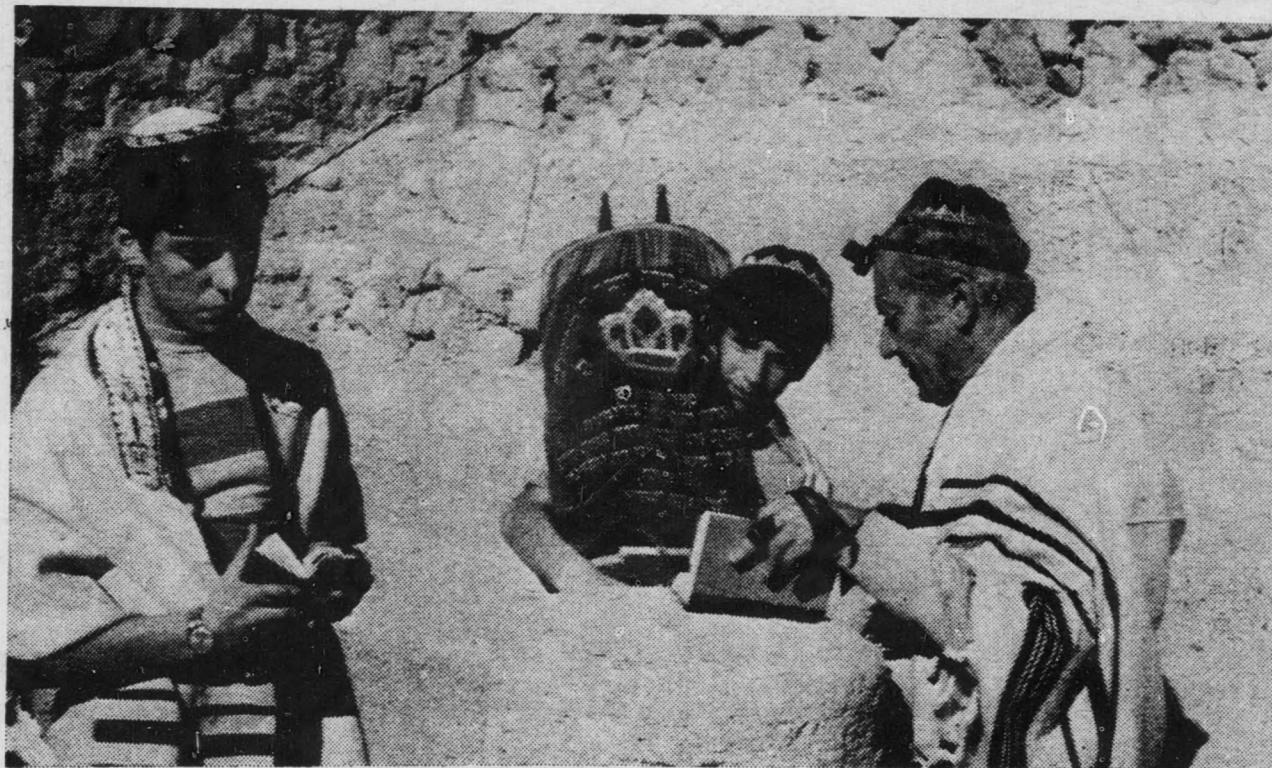
HE SAID that "religion is not a matter of belief but is composed of a vital series of acts for the betterment of man and the fulfillment of Godly virtues." He then charged that synagogues and churches are not gearing their programs to the vital issues of our time. He added that they are not imposing strenuous demands on their membership to implement abstract idealism of faith inherent in religious doctrine.

"Over 50 per cent of the Peace Corps and Freedom Riders were Jews," he asserted, "but they were so estranged from Jewish tradition and history that they never realized these involvements gave substance and meaning to the highest precepts of Judaism."

TARR ALSO CRITICIZED rabbis and other spiritual leaders for using "platitudinous pieties," instead of concretizing their goals of societal reformation. They are notorious users of fetishes and verbalisms, he charged, terming them "word-fetishists."

The novelist concluded his talk by advocating more stringent tests for membership in a congregation. They should be subjected to rigorous screening tests. He also proposed that officers be forced to measure up to higher standards of personal worth and ethics before being elevated to positions of trust.

He justified his resort to fiction-writing by asserting that fiction is more apt to reach a wider readership than non-fictional books.



Never-To-Be-Forgotten Ceremony

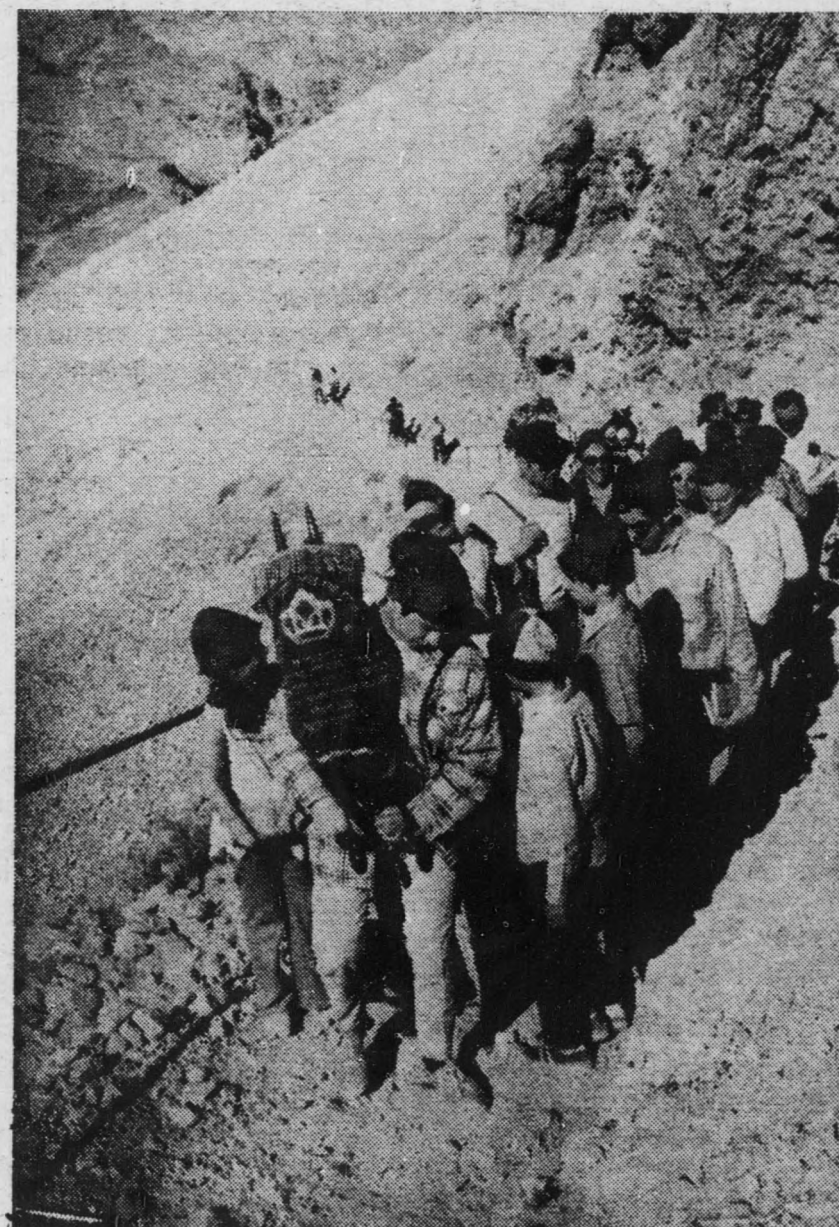
David Levenfeld holding the Torah before the ancient bimah after reciting the Haphtorah. At left is Aron Katz and at right Dr. Louis Katzoff.

Bar Mitzvah On Masada

What it is hoped will set a precedent — bar and bat mitzvahs atop Masada, took place recently when David Levenfeld, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Levenfeld entered the Jewish covenant. Three girls were bat mitzvah at the same time. They were Shoshana Rosen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Rosen, Marcia Taub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Taub, and Robin Katz, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Katz.

The group was part of a four-family 21-member trek to the famed mountain fortress near the Dead Sea, led by Dr. Louis Katzoff of North Suburban Synagogue Beth El, of Highland Park, Ill., Chicago suburb. Dr. Katzoff, who was accompanied by Mrs. Katzoff, is educational director of the Conservative synagogue.

The synagogue atop Masada is in an excellent state of preservation, and the Torah reading and service were conducted on what is clearly the ancient bimah of the 2000 year-old house of worship considered the oldest known synagogue. The synagogue was believed the



Bearing The Torah Up The Steep Climb

one used by the defenders of Masada who after a three-year defense committed suicide at the hands of the Roman conquerors.

Black Jews Fear Children Led Astray By Sabras

DIMONA — Children and teenagers here have done everything they could to make the Black Jews who arrived here from Chicago via Liberia welcome but the Black Jewish parents are not so happy about it. They are reluctant to let their youngsters become very involved with the children of the other residents.

Why, asks Shulamit P. Korn, in The Jewish Chronicle of London?

THE ANSWER is that the Black Jews are strictly Orthodox, while the sabra youngsters of this frontier town are not very observant.

The six families, which total 34 in all, are already employed in the textile mills for which this town is famous.

The Black Jews claim they originated in Palestine, from which they were exiled some 400 years ago. Now, they say, they have returned to their homeland and to live in freedom after four centuries of slavery.

The children have been registered in a religious school, which they will attend as soon as they have completed special Hebrew courses. All the boys are circumcised, including one born en route from Liberia, whose brit milah was performed by a fellow Black Jew.

TENSE LEBANESE BORDER WATCHED FOR OUTBREAK

JERUSALEM — Israel's northern border was being watched cautiously by Israel as well as Lebanon, but also by the rest of the world as some form of reaction by Israel to increased border infiltration was considered almost inevitable.

THE LEBANESE government may be caught in a squeeze with the terrorists who now use her as a refuge, but this does not alter the fact that Israel cannot risk the safety of her own citizens because of internal Lebanese problems.

Israel has warned Lebanon through world channels to confine activities of the terrorists, but continued attacks indicate that the terrorists hold the fate of Israel's northern neighbor in their hands, instead of vice versa.

Five infiltrators were killed this week in a clash with an Israeli patrol.

ISRAEL FORCES carried out one minor raid into Lebanon,

perhaps as a warning, on the village of Aita es Shaab, destroying five structures alleged to be occupied by the terrorists, and then withdrawing. The raid was in retaliation for the death of an Israeli soldier and the wounding of three others in an ambush near Zarit, a border settlement in Israel just south of Aita es Shaab.

Three Seders Offered Students

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (P-O) — Jewish Students at the University of Indiana here may have the choice of attending any of three seders. The Hillel Foundation has asked for a response from students as to their preference for a liberal seder, a traditional seder or a radical seder.

He Gets Them Off His Chest

The Rabbi's Four Gripes

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (P-O) — Rabbi Saul White used the bulletin of his Congregation Beth Shalom to get some gripes off his chest.

LISTING THEM by numbers from one to four, he began with publication by the Jewish community paper of mixed marriages that "obviously were not solemnized by a rabbi, but by a justice of the peace and in some cases by a minister or priest."

His second gripe was aimed at Jewish organizations which sponsor weekends at Tahoe or in nature but at the gambling tables. He said, "The Sabbath was thus desecrated deliberately and willfully."

THIRD, RABBI White listed designating Sabbath services as

an ORT Sabbath, A Council of Jewish Women Sabbath, Hadassah Sabbath, etc."

His last barb was aimed at singing, "We Shall Overcome," at the recent rally for Soviet Jewry at which five to six thousand people were present. "We Shall Overcome," he said, "is a great song of protest but not for this occasion. Am Yisrael Chai would have been in better taste."

In connection with the mixed marriages, Rabbi White wrote: "Since our Community Bulletin is read by our young people, they cannot but conclude that such marriages are cause for satisfaction and felicitation. We thus contribute to the destruction of Jewish group existence. Here and there

a Rabbi stretching his liberalism to anarchy will join a Christian clergyman in solemnizing a mixed marriage."

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Russian Pilots Unequal To Israelis Is View

DENVER, Colo. — Russian pilots flying Egyptian Migs against them would not daunt Israeli pilots.

This is the view of Robert Gamzey, former editor and publisher of the Intermountain Jewish News who has been living in Israel for the past few years. (His views were expressed as a Beirut publication told of the deaths of five Russian observers in the Suez fighting.)

"RUSSIAN PILOTS," he wrote, undoubtedly are good enough to navigate around the moon, but not since their fathers fought the Nazi bombers over Moscow, Leningrad and Stalingrad in World War II have Soviet aviators fired a gun in anger in this generation. Israeli pilots, on the other hand, are probably unsurpassed in the world today for daily combat experience. They hold a ten-to-one edge over Arab pilots in air battles. So the thought of Russian pilots flying MIGs in the Middle East alongside or instead of Arabs is unpleasant,



ROBERT GAMZEY

... Israeli Pilots Unsurpassed

but not terrifying.

Gamzey analyzed also why Russia would not endanger Israel with either ground troops or missiles.

"THE logistical problems of moving massive land armies from Russia to Egyptian and Syrian bases are regarded here as monumental but not impossible. But of more consequence is a Soviet history of never sending an expeditionary force outside the borders of the USSR and its satellites. The Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in

1968 and Hungary in 1956 are seen not as exceptions to this tradition, but confirmation that Moscow wields its power only inside its empire.

"As for long-range missiles, it is pointed out here that ICBMs are exclusively nuclear, and thus their use is ruled out. A long-range non-nuclear missile is too expensive to fire, is of questionable accuracy, and may not pack any more punch than an airplane bomb or artillery shell, neither of which would panic the iron-nerved Tel Avivians."

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Jewish student leaders, including activists from the New York area, will discuss Jewish college students at an Oneg Shabbat at the biennial convention of the National Jewish Welfare Board here March 18 to 22. Among the subjects to be covered by the panelists are the Jew in the campus rebellion, Zionism on campus, the assimilation of Jewish college students, and new outlooks and radical Judaism.

Hard Sledding For Fraternities

VANCOUVER — The view that the Zeta Beta Tau chapter at the University of British Columbia will "probably cease to exist in its present form after this year," was expressed in The Jewish Western Bulletin by Jeff Goldberg.

Goldberg also said that the Sigma Alpha Mu chapter which was formed last year, has a 70 per cent non-Jewish roster.

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Obituary

Dr. Joseph Schechtman,
Revisionist Leader

NEW YORK — The body of Dr. Joseph B. Schechtman, 79, writer on Zionist affairs, and Jabotinsky follower and his two-volume biography of Revisionist leader, was flown to Israel for burial following services in New York. He died following a heart attack.

As the dispute between the Revisionists, who were often called Zionist Fascists because they demanded that Jews be prepared to fight for their rights, and the Zionist establishment receded, Dr. Schechtman became a respected member of the executive of the Jewish Agency. He was a leading Dr. Joseph B. Schechtman, 79, writer on Zionist affairs, and Jabotinsky follower and his two-volume biography of Revisionist leader, was flown to Israel for burial following services in New York. He died following a heart attack.

Born in 1891 in Odessa, Dr. Schechtman was educated at the Russian University of Novorossisk. He received a doctorate of law in 1914 from the University of Berlin. He was elected to the All-Russian Jewish Congress in Petrograd in 1917, and the Ukrainian National Assembly in Kiev in 1918.

Firm Stand By United States
Said Only Peace Guarantee

NEW YORK — According to James Reston, Nixon has no real alternative for peace in the Middle East except to guarantee it "by the power and determination of the United States . . . the only thing that can contain the southern thrust and power of the Soviet Union."

Reston, who just returned from a visit to Cairo and Jerusalem, was discussing the sale of additional Phantom jets to Israel. He placed the issue in the larger context of peace in the Middle East.

"THE MIDDLE EAST, like the Balkans of the prewar generation," he wrote, "is now the cockpit of world politics. It cannot be resolved by the military struggles of the Israelis and the Arab states alone, or by President Pompidou, President Nasser or Premier Meir, or by 35 Phantom jets. It can only be resolved by compromise, guaranteed by the power and determination of the United States, which is the only thing that can contain the southern thrust and power of the Soviet Union."

The Times columnist, who also is a top executive of the paper and possibly destined for its highest managerial post, stated that Nixon is already committed to guarantee the security of the boundaries of Israel and the Arab states "against open Communist aggression."

RESTON stated the case thusly:

"If he (Nixon) is going to deal with the new reality of Soviet power in the Middle East he will have to guarantee the security of the boundaries of Israel and the Arab states, not only against open Communist aggression, which he is now committed to do, but against subversion or any other kinds of aggression. And he is not likely to get the cooperation of either Israel or the Arab states

for a compromise unless he does . . .

"This is the real question Mr. Nixon has to face in the next few days: whether he will deal merely with the Phantom jets or whether he will deal with the real phantom of the Middle East."

RESTON'S POSITION was supported by former Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Eugene V. Rostow. He called for a "coordinated diplomatic offensive by the United States, the United Nations and the Atlantic Alliance to head off a war in the Middle East."

The Yale Law School professor urged the United States to guarantee a peace settlement between the Israelis and the future."

Arabs and that the United Nations should press for a renewed cease-fire and convene a conference for peace negotiations.

Speaking at the University of Hartford to leaders of Connecticut Jewish organizations, Rostow asserted that the Soviet Union was increasing its pressure to exploit "Arab hostility to Israel in order to transform the whole region."

"There is no hope of containing and controlling that pressure," Rostow said "without the calm and steady application of the full influence of the United States."

"We should act on a crisis basis," he went on, "to prevent a war in the not too distant future."

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Third Rabbi
Rejects Robe

FALL RIVER, Mass. — A Conservative rabbi has joined two Reform colleagues (P-O, Feb. 6) in rejecting rabbinical robes.

Rabbi Moshe Babin, of Temple Beth El here, announced in his bulletin that "I have decided to no longer wear that robe in the pulpit."

"For a rabbi to wear a monastic robe in the pulpit," he told his congregation, "is to artificially separate him from the congregation in a way which Judaism never intended."

Continuing he wrote that "... in reality the rabbi is a member of the congregation who simply has the authority and hopefully the knowledge to teach and explain Jewish learning. He is not, in the technical sense, a clergyman at all. Nine rabbis do not make a minyan for public worship; ten laymen do."

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Midwest Catholic Girls Tour N.Y.

Nine students of St. Marys of the Woods College, Terre Haute, Ind., will spend spring vacation on a field trip studying Jewish life in New York City with their instructor of Jewish History, Rabbi Bernard M. Cohen, of the United Hebrew Congregation of Terre Haute. The New York tour will include historical Jewish landmarks. All main meals will allow students to sample traditional Jewish cooking. Evening programs will span the available Anglo-Jewish Theatre and other social and cultural events. Among the houses of worship on the agenda are Temple Emanu-El, the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, the Brotherhood Synagogue, the Black Ethiopian Congregation and St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Never On Saturday

Larry Gowell, The Yankees' young pitching prospect, will not pitch on Friday nights and Saturdays, which is going stars like Hank Greenberg and Sandy Koufax one better, who only refused to play on Yom Kippur. Gowell, a Seventh Day Adventist, said: "I couldn't go against my religion. If I did go against it, my teammates would not respect me."

2 Texans Act Big

While half million dollar gifts to the United Jewish Appeal, although not numerous, are still not that unusual, such purchases of Israel bonds are rare. But evidently not for the state of Texas. At the Miami Beach Israel bond inaugural conference two Dallas leaders, Dr. Ellis Carp and Ted Shanbaum announced they will repeat last year's purchase of another million dollars in bonds for 1970. Yigal Allon, who flew from Israel to address the inaugural, threw away his speech after hearing Mayor Lindsay of New York give an expression of the difference, which he termed misleading, false and dangerous, between America's intervention in Vietnam, which he opposes and America's commitment to Israel, which he favors. Even though he had already given advances to the press, Allon discarded his speech and went into an impassioned exposition of the contrast between Israel and Arab society and their social development. He said that the weapons the Arabs receive from the Soviet Union do not make them militarily strong. They will be weak, he continued, so long as their social development lags behind their military development. In Israel, he continued, the ingathering of the exiles, free compulsory education and social development are ends in themselves. The army is simply the means to defend these ends, he concluded.

Pat's Cincinnati Visit

Pat Nixon, wife of the President, visited Cincinnati March 3-4 and was greeted and shown around by bearded Art Cohn, a sociology major at University of Cincinnati from Bayside, N.Y., co-chairman of the Cincinnati Student Community Involvement Program. Among those who welcomed her when she visited a Walnut Hills Bowling Alley was Judge Benjamin S. Schwartz of Hamilton County Juvenile Court, who told her about the Bob Hope House here the judge helped create for care of delinquent boys. Schwartz is a past president of District 2, B'nai B'rith. Art Cohn's comment on the First Lady was "She is sincere."



Pat We are pleased that she did exactly what she said she would do. She asked a lot of questions and we gave her a lot of answers. The long run results of her visit — negative or positive — have yet to show up," Cohn said. The program has about 500 members, many of them Jewish. They tutor, teach arts and crafts and act as friends to children in Children's Convalescent Hospital. They also work in hospital emergency rooms, psychiatric wards, clinics, pediatric rooms and for various Community Chest agencies and community centers.

Schary Going Back To Work

Taking his new job as first Cultural Affairs Commissioner for the City of New York seriously, Dore Schary, former national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, has left for a tour of Europe to work up ideas for his new challenge. Before returning to take up his duties on May 1, he plans a visit to Israel. He was not too busy preparing for his trip to sign a statement by a number of Civil Rights groups and leaders chastising Daniel Moynihan for his memorandum calling for "benign neglect" of black Americans. Also appending his name to the document was Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld, president of the American Jewish Congress.



Schary

Jimmy Breslin Objects

Charging that he was shown as an anti-Semite, Jimmy Breslin, journalist and author, announced that he is suing the New York Times for \$1 million for an article by Seymour Krim in the Times Book Review Section March 1. "I got a quarter of a million bucks out of these two Jew-boys," Krim quoted

Breslin as stating. The Book Review Section of The Times is available on Thursday and when advised of Breslin's complaint, the word "Jew" was deleted from about half of the 1½ million copies not yet off the press.

Annenberg Interested in ABC?

Whether Walter H. Annenberg, U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain, intends making an attempt to purchase the ABC network or a substantial part of its stock is only a rumor these days, but the announcement of the sale of his Triangle stations to Capital Cities for \$110 million is factual. There is speculation that the communications tycoon also plans to divest himself of his four publications headed by TV Guide, and including the magazine Seventeen and the two horseracing media — Racing Form and Morning Telegraph. Leonard H. Goldenson is president of ABC.

The Lady And The Soldiers

Betty Rollin, senior editor of Look Magazine, told her readers she just couldn't take it when she sought to accompany an infantry unit of girls in the Israeli army. The girls, trim and in marching formation, trooped in 100-degree heat from camp to a field 15 miles away, but Miss Rollin had to call on Stella Levy, the women's army commander for a ride in an army jeep. She wrote: "...the marching soldiers are not wearing cotton frocks from Lord and Taylor like me, but fatigues — shirts with long sleeves and long pants — packs and guns. I suppose all I expect from them is that they slump along somewhat miserably — looking at least as pained walking as I am sitting in a car. But no. They are smiling. Worse, laughing. Singing. With these chicks, it's different. They're trying to save their country, you see. They're needed, and they know it. Just knowing that does something funny to you. It makes you strong. And you know what else? Happy. Do you know what kids look like when they're called on to do something they think is important? They look good."

Names

Although it is still bitterly denounced as a caricature and a self-hatred expose of American Jewish life, Philip Roth's "Portnoy's Complaint," now total 3,671,000 copies in print ... Serving as interim president of Brandeis is Charles I. Schottland, who was commissioner of Social Security in the Eisenhower Administration and who has been dean of the university's Florence Heller School for Advanced Studies in Social Welfare. A selection committee, on which students are serving as members, has been named to choose a successor to Morris Abram, who resigned to seek the senatorship from New York, but who has run into difficulty for filing his candidacy at a late date ... From one Catholic institution to another may not seem so great a step, but Prof. David Neiman, who is an ordained rabbi, and who has been teaching theology at Boston College, will become the first Jew to teach at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He will be visiting professor in Jewish literature at the time of the New Testament.

Sermon Of The Week

"The Kosher Pot," by Rabbi Leonard M. Kaplan, Congregation Ohav Shalom, Albany, N.Y.

Quotation Of The Week

No rabbi or committee, regardless of assistance or library resources, could be as effective in identifying the inner needs of worshippers at one given moment and creating a service from modern and ancient materials, verbal and musical, to express them, as a properly stocked and programmed computer. The possibilities both in diagnosing needs and responding to them in varied format are exhilarating. A checklist of moods and emotions could be provided for each prospective worshipper to determine his individual situation, or if that is too superficial, some sort of religious inkblots that would allow him to project his depth desires. Each Friday before sundown, the worshipper would phone the computer, and according to a prearranged code, feed it his need data as of the present moment. Thus he would know that Friday evening's service would reflect his personal situation, and having also participated in its creation, he would be very likely to attend. On its part, the computer would be a model of rabbinic openness, gratefully and patiently accepting all calls with understanding — perhaps, by simple wiring modifications, even several at one time! Religion today faces secular triumphalism, so it should not be too optimistic about the results of such confrontation with secularity as it might manage. The overwhelming majority of people find it as natural to ignore religious coffeehouses, theological folk singers, and jazz liturgy as they did conventional religious activities. If the purpose in this outreach is dramatically to reverse statistics, then church and synagogue are doomed to heartbreak and a speedy return to religious reaction. — Eugene B. Borowitz from his recent volume, "How Can A Jew Speak of Faith Today?"

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Committee's Advent Welcome

The trouble with the American Jewish Committee, against whom no one has been more critical than this paper, is that whenever it opens its mouth it hits the nail on the head.

The latest announcement approached the problem of the Jew on the campus and as usual states the case precisely, if not bluntly.

"Perhaps our most urgent task, hardly tackled so far, awaits us in the universities where Jewish students within the New Left are not so much hostile to Israel as they are indifferent or confused. Some would apparently welcome opportunities to clarify the issue for themselves. We should be right in there, with research and counter programs, before they close their minds. For, in all probability it is mainly these bright, currently disaffected kids who will speak for American Jewry in years to come. If they were to reject Israel for good, all our work in the larger community might prove to have been in vain. We must reach them now, lest Israel lose the source of strength it has found in American Jewry."

The case has been stated on this page time after time. It comes as no revelation to our readers nor to any who are acquainted if only by family ties to college students even on a non-communicable basis. Our religious organizations and even our welfare funds have sidled up to the problem without really confronting it.

The difference between these organizations and the American Jewish Committee is that it is not wedded to a single goal, whether as in the case of the religious bodies, a religious outlook; the Zionist organizations, Israel; the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, future fodder for community organizations; or the United Jewish Appeal, fundraising. It has klal Yisroel at heart.

We are perfectly willing to assign the task of our college youth to the American Jewish Committee, which by its foresight and its willingness to accept change has demonstrated that it is America's leading Jewish organization. A crash program for Jewish college youth is needed. The Committee has now spoken, and once spoken, it will not shun the responsibility. We wish it Godspeed.

Unity Is Real

President Pompidou's visit, if it did nothing else showed the unity in the American Jewish community. It is not too difficult to imagine another day and age — perhaps only five or ten years ago — when under the pressure of the displeasure displayed by an American president, some Jewish organizations and individuals would have wilted, and we can think of a few that might have opted out.

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The EDITOR'S CHAIR

We have a few letters plus our answers which we thought we'd publish here instead of on The Freedom of The Press page.

The letters on the Holmes Sermon are self-explanatory. Some people have a knack of putting things together that are common knowledge in a way which excites interest and thus attracts widespread attention and that is exactly the case with the Holmes Sermon. The best evidence is the avalanche of orders, some in the thousands, all of which we have been happy to fill at no cost.

In the case of Disraeli, there is an angle too, if Jack Greenwald will forgive us. He is correct factually, but Disraeli was often chastised as a Jew, and even he sometimes rose to heights in defending Jews. Like Disraeli there are others who Jews seem to want to accept, or the world considers as Jews, such as Karl Marx, who was converted to Christianity, and even Heinrich Heine, some of whose most exquisite stanzas showed a concept of Judaism and its humanness that has rarely been equalled.

We aren't making any decision here, only elaborating on the case.

Editor, POST and OPINION:

I received your paper as a sample, and I read the sermon of Rev. Holmes. I find his sermon to be a missionary one for Christianity, and I wonder how The Jewish Post has undertaken to ask for contribution for its distribution.

RABBI ISRAEL LEV

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Dear Rabbi Lev:

I have to concede the accuracy of the statement in your letter, but I believe that there is a counter balancing factor.

I would think that the main thrust of the sermon is to impart knowledge to Jews. The auxiliary impact which you detect would only be one that someone as knowledgeable as you would discern.

Thus weighing the sermon as a whole, I believe that its use for the purpose I have stated above, plus for dissemination to non-Jews to acquaint them with the obligation of Christianity to Judaism outweighs the point you raise.

Our executive editor Charles Roth, who holds smicha from Lubavitch, agrees with you. My views though are stated in this letter.

Thanks for writing to me.

Sincerely

GABRIEL COHEN,
Publisher

Dear Gabriel:

For a number of years you have been reprinting John Holmes' article on "Christianity's Debt to Judaism." When Holmes wrote the article, and perhaps for a number of years after that, it had some value, but it is certainly "passe" both in content and in condescending manner.

I thought you might want to know at least one rabbi's reaction and possibly have a new piece written on the same subject.

Warmest personal regards.

RABBI SOL LANDAU

Miami, Fla.

Dear Sol:

You are being theoretical, if you will forgive me, and also you are speaking from the stand-

point of a knowledgeable Jew to whom the contents of the sermon are "old hat."

We haven't reprinted this sermon now, as you indicated, for perhaps five or ten years. But the response is overwhelming, and we had to reorder immediately, our supply was so quickly exhausted.

This means that the average reader of a paper like the Post and Opinion learned something from the sermon. This shows the low level of knowledge in the Jewish community, but that shouldn't surprise either you or me.

Sincerely

GABRIEL COHEN
Publisher

Dear Mr. Cohen:

You will recall that we have met on previous occasions and that I am a long-time reader of your paper.

I must point out an error in the Feb. 24 issue of your paper which appears on page 5.

In referring to Madame Tussaud's gallery you referred to Disraeli. Disraeli's father, prior to the birth of his famous son, converted and so Disraeli was born a Christian.

You may feel free to check this out in any biography of Disraeli.

I wish you to know that I follow your paper very closely and I rely upon it for much worthy news.

JACK GREENWALD

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We have another letter, this from an anonymous reader. The subject matter is the same as that of Jack Greenwald's letter — the Jewishness of an outstanding figure. We don't know the answer to Hirsh Jacobs' situation. The New York Times said he rejected his wife's importunations that he convert to Christianity to the very end. The Times could have been mistaken, though, and maybe some of our Louisville readers, where Hirsh saddled many winners both at Churchill Downs and at Douglass Park may have the answer.

Editor, POST and OPINION:

I am very fond of your paper and get it every week through a subscription for at least three years. However, I must make a correction in your issue of Friday, Feb. 20, in which you have announced in the obituary column the death of Hirsh Jacobs. I have known him and his family for many years and have known him as a very fine man with the way he treated his old father when he was living at a home on Yellowstone Blvd., Forest Hills. He saw that he had every comfort necessary and visited him often. But what I want to say is that he was married to a very devout Catholic woman and his children were Catholic and so was he. He was not a Jewish man at his death. He turned to Catholicism quite a long time ago, unless he turned back to be a Jew in the last few years.

It really doesn't matter because he was a gentleman and good to his fellowman, but you are making it sound good by saying he remained a Jew; we Jews can do without such a Jew.

Yours very truly,
ANONYMOUS

Look What Has Happened To The Hebrew Language!

By JAY B. STERN

Everyone who writes about Israel writes on this subject eventually. We are no exception. Here's what's happened to the Hebrew language:

Front axel of car — phronteks.

Back axel of car — bek-phronteks.

Headlights — silbim. (Get it? Sealed Beam!)

One headlight — silb (Obviously!)

Child's complaint that rules aren't being followed — zeh lo phair.

Bulldozer operator — hallo hallo.

Troktoreest.

Fool with camera — Tooreest.

Person who complains Hebrew language is being ruined — Tseeeyoneest.

One prone to exaggeration — schvitzer (America is not the only influence in the world).

"It's three blocks ahead, turn left at the traffic light, drive two kilometers, and turn right where the dead cat is lying in the road" — yashar.

Out of the way you fool or the donkey will kick you — at stake.

Wait a minute — five fingers pointed together and upward.

Stop, you fool — same, with oscillating motion.

No — Left index finger moved horizontally with cluck of tongue.

All of this has serious implications for the American Hebrew school curriculum. The classical argument about whether the school should lead society, or merely reflect it, is at play here. No less than the future of the kametz katan is at stake.

The Economic View

Can Industry Absorb Cost Of Package Deal?

By SAMSON KRUPNICK

The 8 per cent wage increase and cost of living allowance together with the 4 per cent of payroll employer bond purchase program, the increase of payments to National Insurance, the Reserves (Army) Duty Equalization Fund and to an Unemployment Insurance Fund up to 5.5 per cent of payroll plus increased benefit payments will result in increased costs to industry of close to 20 per cent of payroll.



Krupnick

Many industrialists think that industry cannot absorb this additional cost without increasing prices. Most economists agree with them. The government's commitment to limit excise taxes to luxury items and to hold the Income Tax at the present level is a source of comfort, but insufficient to make it possible to absorb a 20 per cent increased cost without passing on at least a portion thereof to the consumer.

CERTAIN INDUSTRIES will simply be unable to grant these wage increases.

For example, in the textile industry, a 20 per cent wage-increase cost will absorb between 5-10 per cent of gross sales. The net profit on sales in this industry is only 2-3 per cent. According to J. Pollack, chairman of the Textiles Division of the Manufacturers Association of Israel, the choice left to the industry is either making a realistic adjustment or bankruptcy. There has been some talk of increasing government subsidies to this industry to 5.50 pounds to the dollar.

The food division estimates increased costs of 18 per cent of payroll and the metals division about the same. Both doubt the ability of their divisions to absorb these costs without increasing price. The diamond industry, source of Israel's largest gross dollar export, is in the midst of a serious slump, in part the result of the recession in the United States and elsewhere. In January, 1970 alone there was a drop in diamond exports of 10 per cent while other industrial exports showed a 21 per cent increase over January, 1969. Diamond manufacturers, overstocked with inventory and facing dwindling sales, simply cannot increase wages at this time.

INDUSTRY IN 1969 showed a remarkable ability to absorb new labor, reaching the 250,000 mark (25 per cent of total labor) and moving forward to the desirable goal of 30 per cent of all employment. Forty-four thousand new workers were absorbed including 13,000 young people and 18,000 women joining the labor force for the first time. Unemployment was at a minimum of 34,000. Nevertheless there are many industries that operate on a marginal level and an increased burden such as the one presented by this package deal can topple them out of existence. "Some of these companies should properly be out of business because they cannot justify themselves economically."

We would be better off if they would release their labor for other more substantial establishments," says Minister of Commerce and Industry Joseph Saphir. This comment, while economically correct falls into the category of "easier said than done." He estimated the additional cost to industry of 400 million pounds — a whopper of a burden for industry to absorb.

ALL IN ALL, employers with some misgivings weigh the advantages of the package deal against the disadvantages, and reluctantly conclude that if the agreement could be observed scrupulously yet with flexibility for certain branches of the economy then the national good will be served. They are definitely reconciled to lower net profits this year but nevertheless feel that stability in labor relations, with the government as a sympathetic cooperating partner, is worth the sacrifice. They have appointed a "watch dog" committee with the specific assignment of keep price increases in check. Their intentions are apparently the finest — but the road to ruin is often paved with good intentions.

It will be most interesting to observe how this novel package deal, apparently quite constructive on paper — will develop in actual practice.

Contempt Action Is Challenged

NEW YORK — Judge Julius J. Hoffman in imposing Hoffman's handling of contempt charges against the "Chicago Seven" defendants and two of their lawyers in the 'conspiracy' trial in Chicago. "The American Jewish Congress does not at this time express any views on either the allegedly contumacious conduct of New York, chairman of the Congress Commission on Law and Social Action, said: We do believe, however, that

"Grave constitutional questions are raised by the action of U.S. District Judge denied by the procedure used."

Joseph Brainin Belonged To Unusual Generation

By M.Z. FRANK

Joseph Brainin, who died early in February at the age of 74 was a remarkable man in many ways. He was an unusual individual,



Frank

one of the first Hebrew-speaking circles in the Diaspora. Reuben Brainin was born in a small town on the Dniepr in White Russia, moved to Moscow, where he married, moved to Vienna, then to New York, then to Montreal, then back to New York. Joe was born in Vienna, one of Reuben Brainin's two sons and two daughters. Moe, the older of the two Brainin brothers, looked the image of his father. Joe looked like his mother. Julian Meltzer, in The Jerusalem Post, speaks of Joe as always the Viennese, in his personal charm and wide cultural interests. I don't know Vienna, but I knew Joe's father and mother in Montreal. To me Joe always looked like his mother, a remarkably clever and charming and very attractive-looking woman. Joe's father-in-law, David Neumark, was one of the leading Hebrew scholars of his day.

AT THE FUNERAL, where, the lashing rain failed to keep away the crowd, I noticed only one person who, like myself, had memories of Joe in Montreal. That was Elias Tartak, now teaching Russian literature at the New School. He was much closer to Joe and to his later brother Moe than I was. The two speakers at the funeral, Maurice Samuel and Meyer Weisgal, are members of that group of Joe's friends I mentioned above. But there were others. Moe and Joe Brainin joined the Jewish Legion and went to Palestine under British banners. With them were Gershon Agronsky, who,

as Gershon Agron, died as Mayor of Jerusalem, and Louis Fischer, who died as a former Communist turned anti-Communist, but not as a Jew, and Shaya Rodman, who became a successful real estate operator and died as founder of the Sholem-Aleichem House in Tel-Aviv. With them were others, quite remarkable men. Rodman is the one I was closest to.

Many of the former members of the Jewish Legion turned Left. Meyer Weisgal, in his very brief and very dignified and grief-laden address, said that during the years when Joe, out of strong humanitarian sympathies "worshiped other gods," their personal friendship persisted.

Joe's last Leftist activity was his fight for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. After he failed to save them from the noose as Soviet spies, Joe tried to place their orphaned children in a kibbutz in Israel. But the authorities forbade the children to leave the United States.

AFTER THAT, Joe Brainin entered the services of the Weizmann Institute under his friend Meyer Weisgal. In that capacity he showed remarkable ability, energy and a renewed devotion to the cause of Zionism and Israel. On his retirement, he remained as consultant, visited Israel many times, always stayed longer than planned. He died shortly after his return from the last visit. He fell in the midst of a conversation while visiting with his friend Maurice Samuel.

Samuel, in his funeral speech, mentioned the fact that thirty one years earlier, he presided over the funeral of Joe's father "that great man, Reuben Brainin."

In the last few years I became quite friendly with Joe. Sometimes we talked about his father. To me his death is a personal loss in more than one way. To me Joe Brainin was not primarily the man who introduced Pierre Van Paassen to the Zionists and to his publishers, or Weisgal's assistant in the "Romance of a People," or the founder of the Seven Arts Syndicate, but the dapper and charming young boy in Montreal, the younger son of the charismatic Reuben Brainin, who was the first great Jew I met in my life.

Pompidou Visit Weighed By Jews

NEW YORK — American Jewish leaders this week were attempting to weigh consequences of the Pompidou official visit to the United States in the light of any developments.

REPORTS OF sermons, editorials and pronouncements by Jewish organizations clearly showed resentment over President Nixon's apology for the demonstrations, although the communications media seemed to applaud the

President's abrupt decision to attend the Waldorf Astoria banquet for Pompidou last Monday night.

Pompidou himself denied that he had told Jewish groups in the United States that Israel must cease being a "racial and religious state" and become "a state in the geographical sense like all other states."

POMPIDOU disavowed the remarks at a Cabinet meeting, and his new version read simply

that "Israel must become a state like others."

The Jewish News of Detroit took vigorous exception to an editorial in The Detroit Free Press, which it said impugned the loyalty of American Jews. "We accuse the Free Press," the front-page editorial in the Jewish publication, asserted "of publishing an un-American anti-Semitic, venomous charge."

The Jewish paper called for "a public apology to every Jew in our community."

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TODAY



No Rabbinical Union But Rights Observed

By MYRON SCHOEN

I don't recall the date or the publication in which it appeared, but I do remember



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sure whether he was from the Conservative, Orthodox, Reconstructionist or Reform ranks. What I do remember was the subject. It suggested that the

rabbis ought to create a trade union so that they could bargain with much more equality with their employers, the thousands of synagogues in this country. The concept seemed so ridiculous, that after a brief mention in some of the journals associated with the Jewish world, the idea disappeared into oblivion.

AM I SUGGESTING that it be revived? No, I was just reminded of the incident when the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations jointly issued a pamphlet called "Suggestions for Procedure in Rabbinical Congregational Relationship."

This sixteen page booklet carries the text of a document approved at the annual convention of the CCAR in June 1969 and "adopted in principle" by hundreds of delegates to the 50th Biennial Assembly of the UAHC in October 1969.

In 1957, at the 43rd Biennial Assembly of the Reform congregations in America and Canada, they took the first formal step to regularize the relationship of the rabbis serving the now more than 650 congregations. That document was also "adopted in principle" and bore the same title "Suggestions for Procedure..." However, it covered only one half the number of pages of the new one, or eight in all.

WHAT WAS IN THE old statement and what has been added? The preamble and section one, devoted to the "Role of the Rabbi," are almost identical. Section two, now titled "The Congregation and Its Rabbi(s)" begins with a slight change. The original document stated "The administration of the practical affairs of the congregation is primarily the responsibility of the lay leaders" and then goes on to urge that the rabbi be "consulted" in administrative matters become an ex-officio member of the board, and have the "privilege of discussion."

The 1969 document begins with "The rabbi should be consulted in administrative matters and his views should be accorded a regard commensurate with his position as religious leader," and then proceeds in regard to his ex-officio status on the board plus "... its executive or advisory committee with full privileges of discussion." It also has a lengthy section which didn't appear in the original document and this is devoted to the selection and status of both the

assistant and associate rabbis, with the tenure and standing of the latter more clearly defined than before.

ADDED IN the new document is a section headed "Other Staff Members." It is short and states: "Since the rabbi has overall responsibility for the religious and educational program, members of the temple staff (administrator, cantor, educator, etc.) shall be employed and their responsibilities defined in cooperation with the rabbi."

However, it is in the section on "The Agreement Between Congregation and Rabbi" that we find most of the new material. It not only devotes itself to tenure, but goes into detail in describing the different kinds of agreements, open end and specified tenure. It proceeds to a description of the initial agreement, initial election, re-election, vacation, sabbatical leave, due notice on termination

of service, and the time of pulpit change.

An interesting development is the amount of space devoted to retirement. In the original document this took about a half page to cover. In the newest statement, the text occupies almost a full three pages, urging congregations to plan for their rabbi's retirement, the responsibility of the congregation to their rabbi's dependents, and the status of the rabbi emeritus. The figures remain the same, 60 per cent of the average during the preceding five years or 50 per cent of his highest annual salary, whichever is greater.

FEW AREAS of mutual concern are left uncovered in this suggested procedure and if the guidelines are taken seriously by both the rabbi and the congregation they should serve as the basis for developing harmonious relationships between the rabbis of the Reform movement and their congregations.

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More Gall Than deGaulle

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

While Pompidou (the man with more gall than deGaulle) was in the U.S., Israel also had



Silver

an important French visitor: Pierre Gilber, a former Gaullist and French ambassador to Israel but now a strong political opponent and a leader of the Centrist party. Gilber endeared himself to Israel while he served there; he learned to speak a perfect Hebrew.

While Pompidou's antics were on display, Gilber gave Israelis a running commentary on the present French administration: Pompidou is determined to get rid of the notion that he's

"Rothschild's man," and he is playing a crafty game of oil and arms and flirtation with Russia. Debre, said Gilber, adores deGaulle and also wants to wipe out the memory of his past Jewishness.

Similarly, Schuman, who abandoned his Jewishness, has learned to dislike anything Jewish. Pompidou is still deGaulle's man and he will not change his anti-Israel position. Many Frenchmen are opposed to the views of their president and there is the hope that he will be unhorsed in the next election.

ENDLESS ARE the stories in Chasidism. One of them, relayed by Tuvia Isaacs in the Day-Journal, is about the humble R. Zusya Anipoler, who lived in poverty and whose wife fretted about it. To cheer her up Zusya told her to order a new dress at the tailor. She did,

but came home a few weeks later sans dress, telling her husband that the tailor spun a sad tale. Said the tailor: when my daughter, who is about to be married, saw the pretty dress her father made, she assumed it was for her but was embittered when her father said no, it was for the rebbetzin. When she heard the story, Zusya's wife declared, she couldn't take the dress and told the tailor to give it to his bride.

Responded Zusya: "Fine, and did you pay him?"

Said the wife, horrified: "Of course not. He has the dress." Responded Zusya: "That tailor worked all week for you. If you choose to make a gift of the garment, fine, but you cannot deprive the tailor of his money." So the poor rebbetzin ended up with no dress and reduced finances. Isaacs credits "stories of the Chasidim," by Rabbi S. Zevin with the story.

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By NORBERT PEARLROTH

Dear Mr. Pearlroth: My maiden name was Sapirstein. And my father came from Grajewo, a small town near Bialystok. Truly yours, Mrs. David E. Davis, Beachwood, Ohio.



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Sapirstein is half Hebrew and half Yiddish. Sapir is Hebrew for the intensely blue gem known as a sapphire and stein is a Yiddish extension of the word. It is possible that the ancestor who took this name in 1804 was a jeweler and took his cue from his stock in trade. It is also possible that the name is a cover for the name Spiro which is the Hebrew name for the storied German city of Speyer on the Rhine. This name is associated with

a large roster of Jewish notables and scholars. It is more likely however that the name is purely arbitrary chosen for its connotation of luxury and wealth.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth: My father's family came from Russian Poland. Their family name is HERSHENSON. Can you tell me something about it, meaning and origin. Yours truly, Mrs. M. Glatzer, Yardley, Pa.

Hershenson is a patronymic, a family name based on the given name of an ancestor. The ancestor in question bore the name of Hersh (Hirsch) a byname of the Hebrew name Naftali. The patriarch Jacob in his deathbed blessing of his sons, compared Naftali to a fleet hind. As a result all Jewish boys named Naftali benefited from an additional name Hersh (a stag) which in time became the family name. Hershenson (Hirschsohn) translates as "The Son of Hersh."

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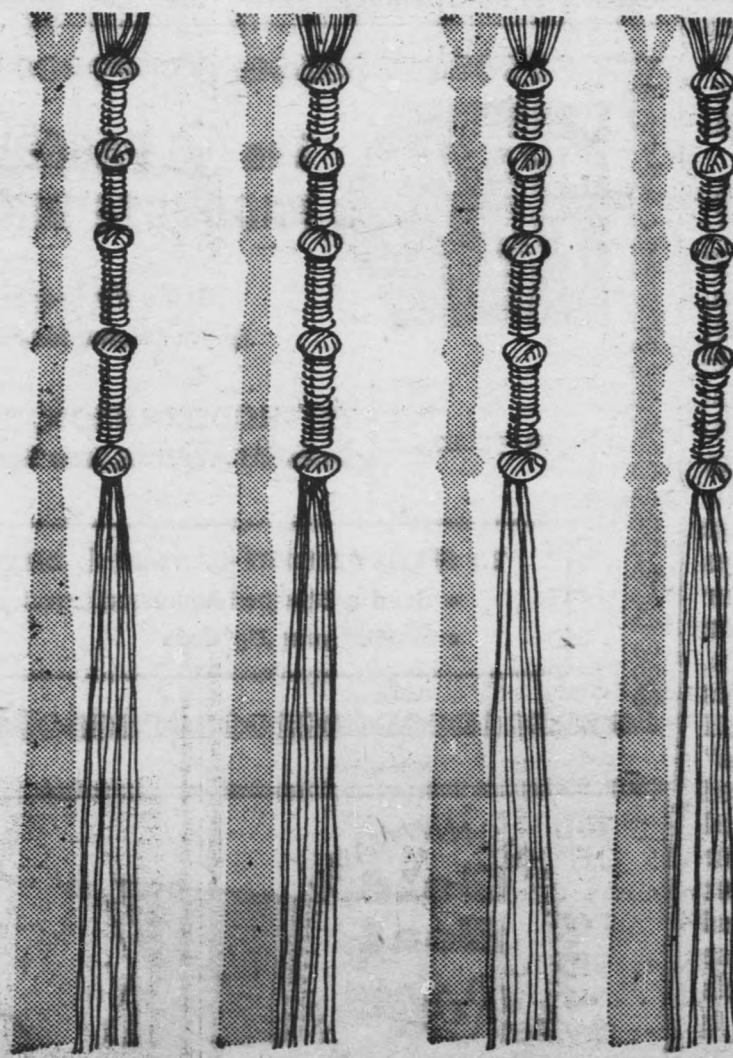
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P-O Succumbs To Worship Of Youth

Editor, POST and OPINION:

In your Feb. 12 issue you responded to a letter from Jules A. Gitin by drawing a distinction between the "direct confrontation between young people and delegates" to the Reform Biennial, and the "much less hostile" encounter between youth and adults at the Conservative convention. I have a two-fold reaction.

Firstly, from this and other of your statements, I detect an allegiance to the current primitivistic, Rousseauian cult of youth. Everything young people say and do is automatically right. I believe young people have made valuable contributions these years by highlighting certain problems, but when it comes to evolving realistic approaches to solutions, their lack of experience often betrays into grandiosity. Fantastic "solutions" are no solutions.

Secondly, you seem to place a premium on hostile confrontation over congruence between youth and maturity. Why?

American culture has long adored youthfulness. How many love songs do we sing about people past 24½? So we keep reaching back for youthfulness, whether by dress, surgery, behavior or identification. But the weight of historic Jewish opinion is that authentic old age is beautiful in its way, as indeed is youthfulness in its way.

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Process Of Naturalization Required

Editor, POST and OPINION:

We read with great interest your February 27 issue describing the words of Harry Golden under the sub caption of "The Sage Speaks."

If Mr. Golden was quoted correctly in your publication, we are sorely disturbed and disappointed at his point of view. You quote him as saying that he disagrees with the Knesset's

Israel Had No Choice On Who Is A Jew

Editor, POST and OPINION:

The "Sage of Charlotte," like some other intelligent and well-intentioned individuals who do not "like the retreat of the Knesset in the face of Orthodox demands" and who deplore the consequent "plight of the Jews of Israel" may really fail to comprehend the complexity of the issue: "Who is a Jew." For the sake of the open-minded, who are concerned about the survival of the Jewish people as of Israel (and without the Jewish people there is no need for an Israel — according to Golda Meir!), allow me to quote from my letter to The Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle (Feb. 13):

"... The issue is larger than freedom, and even than Jewish national unity. The issue is the

in its integrity. Not all Israelis are Jews, or need be. In a free country one should be able to regard himself as a Jew — or Moslem or Buddhist, or anything — regardless of his specific creed or descent. However, in a free country no one should attempt to force another to live by anyone else's convictions, and this should apply also to a traditional Jew. As long as an accepted, knowledgeable and dedicated religious authoritative body does not re-interpret or modify the Judaic law, halakha remains binding for the traditional Jew — just as a Supreme Court decision is binding for stable Americans. According to the halakha only children of Jewish mothers or of properly naturalized converts are Jews.

"Whether the traditionalists in Israel are 30 per cent of the population, or more, or less, is irrelevant. If the non-traditionalists have their way the traditional Jews will have no alternative other than

banning intermarriage with other Jews, as the Rabbanites forbade intermarriage with the Karaites. Israel would — G. forbid — break up into two peoples. The non-traditionalists would admit anyone, and so could become a mixture not only of various shades of followers of Judaism, but also of Arabs, etc. Every reader knows whether he would like that to happen to Israel. In Israel, however, the majority of people do not want it to happen. This is why many non-traditionalist leaders support the religious party. Mere politics would never enable the twenty united religious Knesset members to have their view accepted, again and again. By the way, in our own country, a foreign-born person must also be naturalized in the proper manner, to be considered a citizen, despite his service to his country. And he can never serve as president."

(Rabbi) NATHAN BARACK
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Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Jews Do Participate In Mardi Gras

Editor, POST and OPINION:

In your issue of February 20 there appeared, on the editorial page, an editorial headed "Mardi Gras and the Jews." This editorial would give to your readers, who are not familiar with New Orleans, a completely erroneous picture of the carnival situation. It leaves an image of the Jewish community as, in some way, being deprived of inherent rights to participate in Mardi Gras.

We could put this down to ignorance if it were not for the fact that last year you printed a similar editorial, similarly erroneous. At that time I wrote you a letter, which you published, setting the matter straight. My very good friend, Rabbi Leon Bergman of Touro Synagogue, had independently written to you in the same vein. So, to repeat, this scandalous fabrication is inexcusable, unless it is a deliberate attempt at sensationalism.

The facts are these. Mardi Gras is a Catholic holiday, not a Jewish holiday. It is the right of every private organization to accept or reject applicants for

membership. There are 69 carnival clubs and of this number, there are four old-conservative clubs which do not accept members of the non-Christian faiths, which is their right and privilege. Jews are prominent participants in the other 65 clubs, small as our Jewish community is. Members of my own family belong to some of these clubs. Last year Danny Kaye was king of Bacchus, does that sound like anti-Semitism?

We also have several Negro carnival clubs, which rigidly exclude whites, which is also their privilege.

Please, gentlemen, in the future, be advised that the Jews of this city do participate in carnival festivities when it is their pleasure. I make bold to say that in no other city in America do the Jewish and Christian communities hold each other in such high respect and affection.

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retreat to the Orthodox demands on the question of Who is a Jew.

We agree wholeheartedly that Israelis are not necessarily Jews by abstaining from ham, etc., but neither is Mr. Golden, although you refer to him as the Sage of Charlotte, necessarily an authority on Judaism despite his illustrious career as a journalist.

He states that Jews are Jews because of the fact that they were "... fighting for their country" ... According to this definition then anyone who fights for Israel be he Irish, Italian, Catholic or Protestant automatically becomes Jewish if he fights for Israel. This logic I am sure you will agree, makes no sense whatever.

We admit that it takes much more to make a Jew than just the observance of a few rituals, but on the other hand it also takes much more than just holding a rifle.

We submit that the same standard for automatic American citizenship, i.e., birth in our country, is a good beginning for citizenship as a Jew, namely birth into the faith. After the birth takes place, one may become either a good or a bad American citizen or Jew, but at least we will have had a standard by which to begin.

One who is not a citizen of the U.S. by birth, must undergo a process of naturalization as required by our constitution, and, by the same token, should also require a "naturalization," that is, a conversion to the faith before being declared a Jew.

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AN AUTHORITATIVE GERMAN NEWSPAPER has reported that Rumania, which for some time has had difficulty purchasing arms from the Soviet Union, has bought from Israel weapons captured during the Six Day War. Israel has denied the report. The German paper goes further and tells that the Rumanians found that the Soviet arms supplied to Egypt were of far better quality than the weapons Moscow had sent to Rumania in the past as a member of the Warsaw pact.

THE RIGHT WING PRESS in Turkey is waging such an unprecedented anti-Semitic, anti-Zionist and anti-Israel campaign that some observers predict Turkey will soon be going all-out Arab. Turkey has never been publicly pro-Arab and has not been openly critical of Israel with which she maintains diplomatic and commercial relations.

STRANGE AS IT MAY SEEM, Abba Eban's political prestige in Israel is at stake on the action to be taken by Nixon. Eban has had a bad year. While the military was presenting Israel with a series of brilliant coups and victories, the foreign policy front was marked by a series of diplomatic disasters: the continued embargo on French Mirages; the refusal of Britain to sell Israel Chieftain tanks; the anti-Israel U.N. resolution; the torpedoing of the U.S.-Israel Desalination project; the Rogers statement which gave the Arabs such satisfaction. Eban's reputation is at a low ebb, and it will take some unusual diplomatic achievement to restore his prestige.

IT IS NO SECRET IN ISRAEL that Dr. Nahum Goldmann has recently applied for Swiss citizenship. The news has not added to his popularity.

RABBI ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL IS ailing and hospitalized again after recovering from a heart attack several months ago.

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I would like somebody from Israel for a Pen Pal. I am 8½. I am good in sports, I like swimming and basketball. I play piano well. My name is Valerie Salat, 35 Truesdale Drive, Croton, N.Y.

I am eight years old. I don't care if you are a boy or a girl. I just hope you write to me so that I can write to you. My name is Elizabeth but when you write to me just call me Liz. Elizabeth Zabitz, Old Post Road, Croton, N.Y.

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4-Letter Word Not Deleted

JERUSALEM — The Jerusalem Post failed to print the four letter word, charged with being obscene in the drama, "The Queen's Bath," which the producers have refused to delete from the forthcoming production at the Chamber Theatre.

The statement is included in a scene depicting the Children of Israel climbing up Mount Sinai and taking back the Ten Commandments. As they do so, they use a four-letter word to describe the commandments and sing a joyous song, "Now We Can Breathe Freely."

Deputy Mayor Haim Basok told the newspaper that he "has no intention of interfering with the theatre's repertoire and wouldn't make a fuss about an anti-religious statement as such. But this is obscene and downright tasteless to say the least. It not only hurts Jews. The Commandments are a general cultural asset."

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Israelis Not Irreligious, Reform Convention Hears

JERUSALEM — With President Roland B. Gittelsohn refusing to accept the definition that most Israelis adopt as non-religious, the Reform Rabbis meeting here heard an appeal for one set of guidelines for both Israelis and diaspora Jews.

Alluding to the penchant of Israelis as "quick to designate themselves as non-religious," the Boston rabbi pointed out that they do so "only by the narrowest most inoperative definition of religion."

"THERE ARE TIMES," he continued, when Israelis do not understand our preoccupation with the synagogue, with theology, with prayer. There are also times when we do not understand how it is possible for a man who believes that justice and mercy and equality emerge from the fact that man is created in the divine image, how such a man can deny he is religious."

Pursuing the theme, Rabbi Gittelsohn said "Words cease to have meaning when American Jews who enter a synagogue twice a year call Israelis irreligious because they are absent even on these two occasions."

As to the future Rabbi Gittelsohn had this to say:

"IF WE ARE CONFUSED, this is because the future is still shrouded in mystery. When prophet replaced priest as the principle exponent of our tradition, the meaning of Judaism and our ancestors' methods of expressing Judaism changed drastically. When the Temple, within sight of this mountain, gave way to synagogues scattered over the earth as the chief institutional instrument of Judaism, again the meaning and living of our heritage were substantially altered. How naive, how unrealistic, how utterly irresponsible it would be to deny that the establishment of the State of Israel and the age of science in which we live will not cause Judaism to change at least as much tomorrow as it did yesterday. Jews in the Americas, Jews in Israel will each have their unique and indispensable contributions to make toward inspiring what our great grandchildren may accept

as normative Judaism."

Announcement that Reform would observe Israel's Independence Day, May 11, this year, as a religious holiday was announced with considerable fanfare. The resolution to that effect was passed by the Reform rabbis at their Houston convention last year.

Rabbi Gittelsohn caught Chief Rabbi Isser Y. Unterman dead to rights when the latter charged that Reform had shifted the Sabbath observance to Sunday.

HE ACCUSED Rabbi Unterman of "abysmal total ignorance" and said he knew of only two Reform temples that hold services on Sundays, although some hold services on both Saturday and Sunday.

He also acknowledged what observers seemed to have missed in the failure of the rabbis to press for public recog-

nition while in convention in Israel with a confrontation similar to the one that took place last summer when the world Reform movement meeting here sought to hold prayer services with women at the Western Wall.

He said the Reform movement was not pressing for equal rights in Israel at the moment because "we understand the difficulties and problems and we do not wish to add to the burdens and problems the people and government face today."

HE CONCLUDED however that "we will never ultimately be satisfied until every Jew, whatever his interpretation of Judaism, may be accepted as a first-class Jew to be entitled to practice whatever definition of Judaism as a religion that suits him — no definition at all if that is what suits him."

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Being as you are now well into the second grading period of the second semester of your freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, (choose one) year, it seems an imperative necessity to remind you of your duty to avoid being obsequious like so many waiters to whom the Welschmerz is all too evident of an unavoidable nuance.

If that last bit was any evidence to you that the writers of this column are going a bit nuts, you're correct in that assumption. Well now that we've got you all psyched up for some great news this week, we'd best remind you that four gals from 'round these parts are making everyone just a little ill. Ado Zendell, Evy Solotkin, Charlene Schwartz, and Denise Lefkowitz are going to Nassau during spring vacation. All right, pick the paper back up and read on! Have a really great time gals and don't be surprised when everyone's face looks a little "green" the next time you meet! Heading north to Motown, U.S.A. will be almost 20 members of U.S.Y. who are leaving on March 27 for the 1970 Regional Convention, to be held in Detroit in case you didn't catch that subtle substitution made in the last dependent clause.

We hear that Larry Ashkenaz uses some very interesting modes of travel, especially on Sunday mornings... hmmm. Speaking of world travelers, we hope that Rhonda Fogle is enjoying herself at I.U. this weekend!

Newsman On Panel At Purdue Hillel

A panel discussion on "Freedom and the News Media" will be held at 12:45 p.m. March 15 at the Purdue University Hillel in West Lafayette.

Meyer Proctor, Midwest bureau chief for the ABC radio network news will join a local panel which includes George Lamb, editorial page editor for the Lafayette Journal Courier; Albert E. Gault, former editor of the Purdue Exponent campus newspaper, and Tom Turner, managing editor of the Purdue Engineer.

Marvin Diskin of the Purdue department of communications will moderate the session.

Some of our favorite talkers have been chosen to represent North Central at the Sectional Speech Meet to be held there March 15. Those talented young people include Jay Bursky, Elaine Dock, Elaine Fink, Barry Heller, and Barry Izsak. Good luck to y'all!

Spring seems to be the time for recovery, and we're certainly glad to see Mike Krienik and Dave Nelson doing just that! Mike has emerged victorious from a battle with the ole mono, and Dave is finally walking on his own two feet after a knee operation!

We want to wish happy March birthdays to several Napteens. H.B.D.'s to Cathy Lerman, Harold Rhodes, Gene Star (much as he hates to admit it!) and Jay Bursky!

B.B.G., known to most as B'nai B'rith Girls, but to us as "Bery Busy Girls" will be holding a creativity meeting on March 14 at the home of Sara Krieger. All members so inclined are urged to share the meaningful afternoon together! The girls' "big brothers," A.Z.A. held a stimulating game of volleyball at the center. Their masculine prowess was displayed in a very convincing manner!

The annual U.S.Y. Purim Carnival is here again! Charlene Schwartz and Jay Bursky, Klal Yisroel-Purim Carnival Chairmen announce that the Carnival will be held on March 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Beth-El. Please bring your friends, your friends friends, your brothers, your brothers friends, your sister, your sisters friends...

U.S.Y. will also have their monthly cultural at the home of Dave and Bill Nelson with Dr. Schankerman as guest speaker. Dinner and Havdalah!

Congrats to S.T.P. on their successful garage sale of last week! If you see one of the girls, please buy some gum from them, as they are using it as a fund-raising project!

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Musical Notes

L. A. Philharmonic Orchestra Is Glittering And Exciting

By ANNA Z. ADLER

At the risk of sounding unbearably immodest, I must say I have just done better than the Prophet Mohammed.

Those of my readers versed in the Koran will recall that the Prophet, somewhat more conciliatory than his modern followers, said, "If the mountain will not come to Mohammed, then Mohammed will go to the mountain."

How do I figure the mountain has come to me? Let me explain.

WHEN I DEPARTED for Los Angeles, it was with the firm intention of crowding in a visit to hear the L.A. Philharmonic under Zuban Mehta. Fate in the form of sold-out houses ruled otherwise. Reluctantly I concluded that the pleasure was not to be mine. With sad resignation, all I could say in the parlance of my grandchildren, was "See you later, Mr. Mehta."

But my mood of dejected resignation proved premature. No sooner had I arrived in Palm Springs when I learned that Mr. Mehta and his entourage, plus the Russian Jewish pianist Vladimir Ashkenazy, were making a hegira to this jewelled oasis in the desert. The mountain was beginning to come to me.

Inquiries concerning the ticket situation were discouraging. All the \$10 and \$15 seats were sold out and only a few \$50 tickets were still available. (Lest you arrive at an exaggerated opinion of the extent to which inflation has hit California, I hasten to add that this was a benefit performance, offering financial assistance to the very fine desert museum of Palm Springs.)

Once it became known that I serve as music columnist for

the Post, the ladies involved in staging this affair made strenuous efforts to obtain complimentary tickets for me. Mrs. Bigelow, publicity chairman for the group, which sounded like a Who's Who of the world of art, finance, and motion pictures, came forward not only with two of the \$50 tickets but also furnished us an invitation to the very posh reception which followed.

But for me the real thrill came in what transpired on the stage. The Los Angeles Philharmonic is arranged somewhat differently from our orchestra back at Clowes Hall. The viola and cello sections are interchanged, and the double bass players were behind the cello section. To my ears this arrangement produces a better-balanced sound.

THE PROGRAM started with Webern's romantic idyl "Im Sommerwind." This was a product of the composer's pre-Schoenberg period. In it, the orchestra achieved a beautiful transparency of sound. The tone of the first violinist's instrument proclaimed it of the very finest order, probably a Stradivarius. Under Mehta's dynamic leadership the orchestra reached a climax echoing at least a trace of Wagnerian influence on the Viennese composer.

Then came Vladimir! He emerged from the wings in a diffident manner reminiscent of poor Willie Kappel. His selection was the beautiful "Piano Concerto No. 20 in D Minor" by Mozart. I have a strong

sentimental attachment to this concerto dating back to my student days. Many an hour did I spend in pleasurable but difficult labor on this great work. I played it as a two piano number with my teacher. She performed the orchestra's portion while I assumed the soloist's role. This familiarity rendered all the more keen my appreciation of the young Russian's surpassingly beautiful rendition. Seldom if ever have I heard a more satisfying treatment of any concerto. This was due not only to the wonderful relationship between pianist and orchestra but also to the tone quality of the piano itself. Unfortunately, this is not true at Clowes Hall. For some strange reason our guest pianists have to cope with a piano whose treble is definitely deficient in life and tone quality. Mr. Ashkenazy plays in the old fashioned tradition, wringing every ounce of beauty from the pure singing legato tones. His approach is thoughtful, emotional, poetic. The tone is smooth, mellow, and rich, a full tone for Mozart.

IN MY MIND I was questioning his staccato treatment of the Romanze, which I had always considered should be played portamento. I do not intend this as a criticism. In truth, I was enthralled by the performance of this 32 year old artist, clearly in the very first ranks of his generation of pianists.

The latter half of the program was devoted to the "Symphony No. 7" of Beethoven, one of his truly great ones. Zubin Mehta led the orchestra with enormous

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One-Man Show

Logansport artist, Nancy Closson, opened a one-man show in the Adult Lounge of the Jewish Community Center, 6701 Hoover Road Sunday, March 8. The exhibit of oil paintings will remain on view through the entire month of March.

Couple To Return Home From Italy

Capt. and Mrs. Gerald File, 1129 Ivy Lane, are expected home March 23 from his two and a half year tour of duty in Brindisi, Italy. Mrs. File is the former Marcia Levinson. Friends are looking forward to seeing them and getting acquainted with their seven-month-old son, Mark.

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Maurice A. Morris, Former Resident, Dies

Maurice A. Morris, 56, died Saturday, March 7, in Miami Beach, Florida. Burial was Monday, March 9 in Etz Chaim Cemetery after services at Aaron Ruben-Nelson Meridian Hills Mortuary.

A native of Indianapolis, Mr. Morris spent the past 15 years in Miami Beach. While in this city he was connected with the Morris Bros. Wholesale Co.

Survivors include the widow, Sarah, a daughter, Mrs. Linda Gilbert, his mother, Mrs. Anna

Morris, and a granddaughter, all of Miami Beach. Also surviving are a sister and brother in Miami, Mrs. Kenneth Chaitman and Dave Morris; and two brothers in Indianapolis, Al and Sol Morris.

Mrs. Nellie Coraz Dies; Rites Held

Mrs. Nellie Coraz, 73, died Wednesday, March 4, at her home, 2918 North Talbot, and was buried Friday Mar. 6 in B'nai Torah Cemetery after services at Aaron Ruben Nelson Meridian Hills Mortuary.

Born in Grand Rapids, Mich., she lived in Indianapolis for 65 years.

She was a member of B'nai Torah Congregation, the Council of Jewish Women, Hadassah and the Jewish Community Center.

She is survived by a son, David S. Coraz, three grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Bert Lay and Mrs. Minnie Refkin.

B'nai Torah Schedules Family Late Service

B'nai Torah Men's Club, will sponsor the Sisterhood Sabbath at late services Friday March 13th at 8:15 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Sam Goldstein on "A Woman's View of Judaism."

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Waxman will host an Oneg Shabbat following the services.

Philharmonic

(Continued from Preceding Pg.) energy full of rhythmic incisiveness.

In this stirring symphony I had the feeling the violins were somewhat strident in comparison with the warm, mellow tone achieved by our own violin section. Nonetheless, it was a brilliant, exciting performance by one of the foremost orchestras in the country.

FOLLOWING THE concert we attended a sumptuous reception at the beautiful desert museum. I had an opportunity to talk with Mr. Ashkenazy, who close-up bears a strong resemblance to Peter Sellers. I questioned him about his staccato treatment of the Romanze, and he assured me that was how he interpreted this section.

This was just a brief encounter for, as might well be expected, the modest little fellow was being lionized. Most of his stay there was spent in conversation with Eugene Ormandy.

Leaving him and making my way through the crowd, I received a shock which capped off a night of pleasant surprises. For 40 years now I have known my husband to be a person of marked reserve who has a thing about initiating conversation with strangers. Imagine my astonishment then, to come upon him chatting away with Red Skelton and his wife. They were talking about the great 1923 basketball team at Vincennes High School. That was the year when the comedian told us he left his native city.

My only explanation for this aberration — it must have been the champagne.

IHC 8th Graders To Tour College

A tour of Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, is planned for March 14 by 45 members of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation eighth grade.

Going by chartered bus, the group will be accompanied by Rabbi David Horowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Pinkus, and Mr. and Mrs. Evan Goodman.

On the agenda is attendance at Sabbath services, lunch with rabbinic students, visits to the rare book's room, the archives, museum, and Plum Street Temple, the original temple of Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise, founder of HUC.

While the IHC eighth graders are touring Cincinnati March 14, the sixth graders are scheduled to attend B'nai Torah services here in Indianapolis and return to IHC for lunch and a discussion period with Rabbi Murray Saltzman.

Coming up for ninth graders is the annual trek to New York City during Spring vacation.

Mrs. Myro Glass Out Of Hospital

Mrs. Myro Glass, who is recuperating from a broken wrist suffered this winter in a fall on the icy sidewalk, has now been released from Winona Hospital. She spends much of the day at the Borinstein Home for the Aged, where she is receiving proper care, since she is still not allowed to use her arm.

In talking to the Post and Opinion reporter, she said she wished to thank the hundreds of concerned friends for their good wishes.

New Regent

Stuart Siegel is a new Regent of the National Board of Directors of the Student American Dental Association.

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Women's Groups Plan Joint Rummage Sale

A joint fund-raising rummage sale sponsored by B'nai Brith Women and the Sisterhood of B'nai Torah will be held Wednesday and Thursday, March 25-26, in the B'nai Torah auditorium, 6510 Hoover Road.

All saleable, clean merchandise such as, dishes, furniture, clothing, appliances, books, novelties, etc., should be brought to B'nai Torah any day between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. as soon as possible.

Women wanting to earn donor credit money by working during this sale, please call Mrs. Mendel Greenberg, 849-2805 or Mrs. Richard Thompson, 257-0893. Over-all chairman is Mrs. Lawrence Greenwald.

Adult Art Class Scheduled At Center

Claudine Paluzzi will again instruct adult art classes at the Jewish Community Center, 6701 Hoover Road in an early spring series of eight sessions on Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. Fees for members are \$20 and for others, \$30. Baby sitter service is available at a nominal fee. Call, 251-9467 for starting date.

Mrs. Paluzzi will give individual attention to both beginners and intermediates in drawing and painting.

Cynthia Refkin To Be Bat Mitzvah

Cynthia Elaine Refkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Refkin, 7033 Washington Blvd., will make her Bat Mitzvah at services Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21 at Beth El Zedeck Temple.

Grandparents are Mrs. Sol Basan and Mrs. Louis Caplin.

City Of Hope To Meet Sunday

Roy Roney will demonstrate the uses of wines at the City of Hope meeting, at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the Old Towne Village Club House, Road 100 and Ditch Road.

Details for the forthcoming city-wide City of Hope campaign set for April 30 through May 30 will be given.

Kodimo Club Meets

Mrs. Joseph N. Smith, 5650 Broadway, recently entertained members of the Kodimo Club at her home. Mrs. William Lipken and Mrs. Anne Rosenblum assisted the hostess. At the meeting plans were made for the Club's Anniversary Celebration.

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